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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed September 3, 2002, please amend the claims as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Rewrite Claim 1

1. (Amended) A roof membrane which is compatible with bituminous adhesives comprising:

an outer layer membrane selected from the group consisting of EPDM, EPM, TPO, PVC, and CSPE;

a protecting layer bonded to a surface of said outer layer membrane wherein said protective layer is resistant to bituminous adhesives;

said protective layer in turn bonded to a fleecy layer.

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

- Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in response to the office action of 1. September 3, 2002.
- Small Entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been 2. established by a verified statement previously submitted.
 - Enclosed is a verified statement to establish Small Entity status
 - Other than a Small Entity
- The fee has been calculated as shown below:

Total Fee Due: \$ N/A

- No additional fee for claims is required.
- Attached is a check in the sum of \$_____ for additional claims.
 - Please charge my Deposit Account No. 23-3000 in the amount of \$...

- The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply. Complete (a) or (b) as applicable.
 - (a) Dapplicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 for the total number of months checked below:

| Extension (months) | Large Entity Fee | Small Entity Fee |
|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| One Month | \$110.00 | \$55.00 |
| Two Months | \$400.00 | \$200.00 |
| Three Months | \$920.00 | \$460.00 |
| Four Months | \$1,440.00 | \$720.00 |

Extension fee due with this request \$____.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)

- An extension for ____ months has already been secured and the fee paid thereof of \$____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. Extension fee due with this request \$______ OR
- (b) □ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.
 - If any additional fee for claims or extension of time is required, charge Account No. 23-3000.

Respectfully submitted,

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